Assessment Update for Parental Choice Schools



January 20, 2022

WISCONSIN STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT SYSTEM UPDATES

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New:

Verify Student Enrollment - Due January 21

On January 18, DPI loaded student rosters from WISEdata into PAnext. School staff has until January 21 to verify student enrollment is correct, add any non-choice students who will be testing, and indicate testing mode for each student (paper or online). Instructions on how to complete this task can be found on the **Verifying Student Roster and Testing Format Guide** posted to the <u>DPI ACT Resource Webpage</u> and the PearsonAccess^{next} User Guide posted to the <u>Wisconsin ACT Website</u>.

Barcode labels will be shipped only for students who are in PAnext at the end of the day on January 21. After January 21, schools can add new students, but they will not receive barcodes and schools will need to follow the instructions in the test administration manuals on how to prepare an answer document without a barcode.

Accommodations Reconsideration Deadline - Extended

ACT has extended the reconsideration deadline for accommodations and English learner supports to **January 28**. This deadline extension applies to **reconsideration requests** *only*. If you have an initial request where ACT has issued a decision notification that requires further review, please submit the request for reconsideration no later than Midnight CST on January 28. For assistance, please see Requesting Reconsideration (TAA User Guide).

Aspire

Reminder:

2022 Aspire Administration

The Aspire PAnext portal will open for the 2022 assessment on January 24. All 2022 Aspire administration manuals and supplements have been posted and are available to download on the Wisconsin ACT Website.

Forward Exam

Reminder:

Forward Exam for Non-Choice Students

Non-Choice students will again be able to take the Forward Exam with the cost of the exam remaining at \$35 per student. The order form can be found at: Wisconsin Forward Exam Order Form.

See the Forward Exam webpage for calendar dates, information, and resources.

Accountability

Reminder:

Test Participation and Accountability

As we move through testing season, OEA is often asked about the impact of test participation on state accountability. Please see below for more information:

State Accountability

DPI publishes school and district test participation on school and district report cards for informational purposes only. That is, test participation has no impact on report card scoring. This rule has been effective since the 2016-17 report cards. Please note that a minimum two years of 20 full academic year tested students are required to generate a report card score.

If you have questions about accountability, please contact OEA.

Assessment and Accountability COVID-19 Related Updates

For assessment and accountability COVID-19 Updates please visit:

- COVID-19 Accountability Updates and Resources
- COVID-19 Assessment Updates and Resources

Important Dates to Remember

Date	Event	Assessment
January 21	Deadline to verify student enrollment roster in PAnext	ACT
January 24	PAnext portal opens for Aspire	Aspire
January 28	Deadline to submit accommodation reconsiderations in TAA	ACT
February 7	Early test material receipt week (if selected in PAnext)	ACT
February 8	Aspire Test Administration #1 Webinar	Aspire
February 10	ACT Test Administration #2 Webinar	ACT
February 11	DPI uploads student rosters in PAnext	Aspire
February 14	Student rosters are available in PAnext	Aspire
February 15	Aspire Technology Readiness Webinar	Aspire
February 24	Complete site readiness for online testing	ACT
February 25	Deadline to order additional test materials for Test Window 1	ACT

New Online Resource Highlights

As new resources are posted to our website, we will include them here for your convenience for a few weeks. This is NOT an exhaustive list but meant to highlight resources with significant relevance to our test windows.

Resource	Description	Assessment
Forward Exam New DAC Training	This is a full training for new DACs/SACs and any other DACs/SACs who would like a detailed refresher that covers all aspects of Forward Exam administration management from start to finish including training, set-up, preparation, administration, reporting, and any updates/changes.	Forward
Forward Exam DAC Updates Training	This training provides updates for the upcoming Forward Exam administration and is intended for DACs/SACs who have viewed the full training and feel comfortable with the process enough to receive only the updates.	Forward
Forward Exam Test Administrator Training	This training is required for all TAs that covers all information TAs need to prepare for and administer the Forward Exam. DACs should ensure that all TAs view this training.	Forward
DRC INSIGHT Portal Guide	The purpose of this manual is to help District Assessment Coordinators (DACs), School Assessment Coordinators (SACs) and other DRC INSIGHT Portal users manage user permissions, student information, and testing responsibilities in the DRC INSIGHT Portal.	Forward
Test Administration Manual	This document is designed to ensure the Wisconsin Forward Exam is administered in a uniform manner that is essential for the integrity of this testing program.	Forward
Verifying Student Roster and Testing Format Guide	To assist in verifying rosters and selecting testing mode in PAnext	ACT



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